

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Board of County Commissioners

THROUGH: Stephen P. Lee, Deputy County Attorney

FROM:

Henry M. Brown, Assistant County Attorney HM S Ext. 5736

CONCUR:

Pam Hastings Administrative Manager/Public Works Department

Kathleen Myer, Principal Engineer/Engineering Division

DATE:

September 19, 2003

SUBJECT:

Settlement Authorization

East Lake Mary Boulevard, Phase IIB

Parcel No.: 216

Owner(s): Michael M. Guthrie and Linda S. Guthrie

Seminole County vs. Simons, et al.

Case No.: 03-CA-2222-13-K

This Memorandum requests settlement authorization by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) for Parcel No. 216 on the East Lake Mary Boulevard, Phase IIB project. The recommended settlement is at the total sum of TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$12,500.00), inclusive of all land value, severance damage, statutory interest, attorney's fees, and costs.

ı **PROPERTY**

Α. **Location Data**

Parcel No. 216 is a fee simple acquisition of 4,093 square feet. Parcel No. 216 is located along the north side of unpaved Canyon Point Road.

B. Street Address

The 5.058 acre parent tract is improved with a single family residence with a street address of 4430 Canyon Point, Sanford, Florida 32773. a location map is attached as Exhibit A and a parcel sketch as Exhibit B.

II AUTHORITY TO ACQUIRE

The BCC adopted Resolution No. 2003-R-47 on February 11, 2003, authorizing the acquisition of Parcel No. 216, and finding that the East Lake Mary Boulevard Project was necessary and served a public purpose and was in the best interest of the citizens of Seminole County.

III ACQUISITIONS AND REMAINDER

The fee simple acquisition consists of 4,093 square feet (0.093 acres) acquired from the total parcel of 5.058 acres leaving a remainder of 4.965 acres. The existing residential unit is not impacted by the acquisition.

IV APPRAISED VALUES

The County's appraisal report was prepared by Ted Hastings, III, MAI of the Spivey Group. Inc., and reported full compensation to be \$3,200.00.

The owners did not have an appraisal performed; however, the owners used Calhoun, Dreggors, and Associates for appraisal consultation and Zook, Moore for Engineering consultation.

V NEGOTIATION

The negotiated settlement was achieved by the County's acquisition agents. The negotiation was a cost avoidance settlement.

VI ATTORNEY FEE AND COST REIMBURSEMENTS

The settlement sum includes all attorney's fees and cost reimbursements. The owners have been represented by counsel and received consultation services from experts. No invoices have been produced.

VII COST AVOIDANCE

By this settlement, the County avoids the following additional costs, beyond those for which it is already liable by law:

- A. A potential jury verdict in excess of the settlement sum;
- B. All statutory interest; and,
- C. Attorney's fees and costs to proceed further.

VIII ANALYSIS

This is a cost avoidance settlement. The settlement sum of \$12,500.00 includes all attorney fees and cost reimbursements. The settlement sum is \$9,300.00 more than the County's appraised value. A full appraisal alone would approximate the sum over the County's appraised value.

Settlement now for cost avoidance is advised.

IX RECOMMENDATION

County staff recommends that the BCC approve this settlement in the amount of \$12,500.00 inclusive of all attorney's fees and costs.

HMB/sb Attachments: Exhibit A

Exhibit B

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